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Summary includes Institutional Separation of roles into policy, regulatory and management functions. This will mean:

- (i) Policy makers are limited to setting policy (and paying for what they ask for). The Government of India will be in charge of setting policy direction.
- (ii) Provide operational autonomy and insulate Indian Railways by Corporatising it into "Indian Railways Corporation" (IRC). It would be governed by a reconstituted Indian Railways Executive Board.
- (iii) Set up an Indian Rail Regulatory Authority to regulate IRC's activities as a monopoly supplier of rail services particularly related to tariff setting.

The Interim Executive Summary is under examination.

Railway Projects/Surveys in Himachal Pradesh and J and K

3930. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress achieved regarding completion of ongoing Railway projects/surveys in Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir as on date, Project-wise and State-wise;
- (b) the funds earmarked and expenditure incurred thereon, till date, project-wise, in each State; and
- (c) by when the ongoing projects/surveys are likely to be completed in those States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH):

(a) to (c)

(i) *Details of on-going projects in Himachal Pradesh and J & K*

(Fig. in lacs of Rupees)

S. No.	State	Name of work	Estimated cost	Expected Expenditure upto 31.3.2001	Outlay proposed during 2001-02	Target date	Progress
1.	Himachal Pradesh	Nangal Dam-Talwara (83.74 km) & Taking Over siding Mukerian-Talwara (29.16 km.)	21000	4330	1000	Not fixed	The first phase from Nangal Dam—Una has been commissioned. The work is in progress in second phase from Una to Churaru Takrala (16 Kms) where earthwork and bridges are in progress.
2.	Himachal Pradesh	Kalka-Parwanoo new line (5.35 km.)	2300	13	1000	Not fixed	The final location survey has been completed. Land acquisition papers have been submitted to State Govt.
3.	J & K	Jammu Tawi-Udhampur (53.6 km.)	42500	34679	4000	3/2003	Work is in progress. Present progress being about 84%.

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4.	J & K	Udhampur-Srinagar- Baramulla (290 kms.)	324400	26498	10000	3/2005 Udhampur- Katra	Work is being done in phases. In first phase, work on Udhampur-Katra (26 km.) is in progress where earthwork, tunnel and bridge works are in progress. In phase-II, Qazigund-Baramulla has been taken up where land acquisition and construction of Srinagar Station Building is in progress. Further work is being taken up.
5.	J & K	Jalandhar- Pathankot-Jammu Tawi doubling (212 km.)	45995	510	0	Not fixed	The work has been included in the Railway Budget 1997-98 with the proviso that the work would be taken up after obtaining the requisite clearances. Action in this regard has already been initiated and the work would be taken up once the clearances are obtained.

(ii) Details of on-going surveys in Himachal Pradesh and J&K

(Fig. in lacs of Rupees)

S. No.	State	Name of work	Estimated cost	Expected Expenditure upto 31.3.2001	Proposed Budget outlay 2001-02	Target date	Progress
1.	Himachal Pradesh & Punjab	Preliminary Engg.-cum- Traffic Survey for gauge conversion of Pathankot— Joginder Nagar Kangra Valley rail line with extension of BG rail line from Joginder Nagar to Bhanupalli via Mandi-Bilaspur (352 Kms.)	36.68	23	13.62	30.04.2001	100% report is under compilation
2.	Haryana, Himachal Pradesh & Uttar Pradesh	Preliminary Engg.-cum-Traffic Survey for a new line from Chandigarh to Dehradun via Jagadhari— Paonta Sahib (220 Kms.)	31.20	19	12.07	31.03.2002	80%
3.	J&K	Preliminary Engg.-cum-Traffic Survey for a new BG line from (i) Baramulla to Kupwara (60 Km.) (ii) Udhampur to Bhadarwah via Doda (85 Km.) & (iii) Doda to Kishtwar (55 Km.).	24.12	18	6.16	31.03.2002	25%